

## PRODUCT DATA SHEET

# Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch

Discrete anode for corrosion mitigation of incipient anode adjacent to concrete repaired areas

### DESCRIPTION

Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch is a zinc based discrete sacrificial anode placed inside a concrete repaired area in reinforced concrete structures which are corroding as a result of chloride ingress and / or carbonation.

Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anodes are placed along the perimeter of the repair area and fixed to the reinforcement prior to the application of a concrete repair system. The reinforcement outside the repaired area is at greatest corrosion risk owing to the passive condition of the reinforcement within the repaired area.

Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anodes corrode preferentially to the surrounding reinforcement offering protection against incipient corrosion damage.

In addition, standard repair mortars, bonding primers and reinforcement corrosion protection coatings can be used as Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch is placed in the parent concrete and not within the repair mortar.

### USES

Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch may only be used by experienced professionals.

- Controlling the incipient anode effect by electrically balancing the anodic and cathodic areas of reinforcement
- Targeted treatment applied to concrete repaired areas to prevent incipient corrosion damage

- For reinforced concrete structures such as bridges, car parks, coastal structures, industrial structures and residential high rise
- Coastal reinforced concrete structures both in and above the tidal zone

### CHARACTERISTICS / ADVANTAGES

- Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anodes corrode preferentially to the surrounding reinforcement, protecting it from further corrosion damage
- Protects against incipient anode effect outside of repaired area
- No long-term maintenance costs
- Strengthens passive film on reinforcement
- No rapid dissolution of activating components
- Quick installation—no additional concrete break out
- Bonding primers for concrete and reinforcement corrosion protection coatings can be used
- High resistivity repair mortars can be used
- Performance can be monitored
- Cost effective corrosion control solution

### PRODUCT INFORMATION

<b>Composition</b>	Zinc compound
<b>Packaging</b>	25 anodes per box, vacuum packed in 5 separate pouches
<b>Appearance / Colour</b>	Cylindrical zinc core covered in an activated coating, separate white spacers and an integral titanium connecting wire.
<b>Shelf life</b>	5 years from date of production.

## Storage conditions

Product must be stored in original, unopened and undamaged packaging in dry conditions at temperatures between +5 °C and +30 °C. Always refer to packaging. Do not allow contact with oxidizing materials. Pouches must only be opened when product is required. Any part used pouches must be re-sealed.

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Length 115 mm

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Diameter 18 mm

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Zinc weight 180 g

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## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

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Current density >0,2–2 mA/m<sup>2</sup>\* in corrosive environment

\*Dependent on local conditions, including chloride concentration, concrete properties, humidity and temperature.

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## SYSTEM INFORMATION

### System structure

- Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch
- Sika® FerroGard®-500 Crete

Other anode sizes are available with different zinc contents and profile:

Name	Zinc content
Sika® FerroGard®-510 Patch	62 g
Sika® FerroGard®-515 Patch	120 g

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## APPLICATION INFORMATION

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Hole dimension Depth: 125 mm  
Diameter: 25 mm

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Ambient air temperature +5 °C min

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Substrate temperature +5 °C min

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## BASIS OF PRODUCT DATA

All technical data stated in this Product Data Sheet are based on laboratory tests. Actual measured data may vary due to circumstances beyond our control.

## FURTHER INFORMATION

- Sika Method Statement: Application of Discrete Galvanic Anode using Sika® FerroGard®-500s Patch

## IMPORTANT CONSIDERATIONS

In order that suitable current flow and longevity can be achieved from the Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode, certain practical considerations must be taken into account.

- The concrete repair material cover for the Sika® Fer-

roGard®-520 Patch unit must be a minimum depth of 20 mm.

- Concrete repairs must be undertaken in accordance to an acknowledged national standard such as EN 1504.
- Any discontinuous reinforcement must be either electrically bonded to or electrically isolated from the system negative.
- The time to achieve passivity will be dependent on site conditions. Depolarisation of treated reinforcement will be slower in moist conditions.
- Design of the galvanic protection system must be undertaken by an experienced qualified corrosion design engineer.
- Installation must be carried out in accordance with engineer's design and specification.

# ECOLOGY, HEALTH AND SAFETY

## REGULATION (EC) NO 1907/2006 - REACH

This product is an article as defined in article 3 of regulation (EC) No 1907/2006 (REACH). It contains no substances which are intended to be released from the article under normal or reasonably foreseeable conditions of use. A safety data sheet following article 31 of the same regulation is not needed to bring the product to the market, to transport or to use it. For safe use follow the instructions given in the product data sheet. Based on our current knowledge, this product does not contain SVHC (substances of very high concern) as listed in Annex XIV of the REACH regulation or on the candidate list published by the European Chemicals Agency in concentrations above 0,1 % (w/w).

## APPLICATION INSTRUCTIONS

### APPLICATION

Strictly follow installation procedures as defined in method statements, application manuals and working instructions which must always be adjusted to the actual site conditions.

Reference must be made to the Sika Method Statement: Application of Discrete Galvanic Anode using Sika® FerroGard®-500s Patch CC for further details. This is summarised below:

Within the repair area where the concrete has been removed, locate the Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode along the perimeter edges of the repair at spacing's determined by the design engineer based on steel density.

Drill holes (25 mm diameter with a depth of ~125 mm) at the specified locations and remove the dust. Pre-wet the drilled holes with water for a minimum of 15 minutes, then remove any excess water from the bottom of the holes.

Apply Sika® FerroGard®-500 Crete activating and embedment mortar into each hole with a nozzle ensuring air voids are not entrapped within the mortar. Install the Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode into the mortar ensuring complete encapsulation of the anode body. Remove excess mortar from around the top of the anode and integrated wire.

Directly connect the integrated titanium wire from the anode to an adjacent cleaned area of reinforcement within the repair area by winding at least twice around the reinforcement and fixing the tail with the supplied plastic cable tie.

Electrical continuity of the Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode conducting wire and the reinforcement must be

confirmed.

The patch repair area must be filled and finished using a suitable Sika® repair mortar within 2 hours of inserting the Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode. Alternatively, cap the hole within 2 hours with the Sika® repair mortar until the final reinstatement is undertaken. Ensure the anode is not disturbed.

The Sika® FerroGard®-520 Patch anode installation can be monitored using half-cell potential surveys, current outputs and reinforcement corrosion rate measurements.

## LOCAL RESTRICTIONS

Please note that as a result of specific local regulations the declared data for this product may vary from country to country. Please consult the local Product Data Sheet for the exact product data.

## LEGAL NOTES

The information, and, in particular, the recommendations relating to the application and end-use of Sika products, are given in good faith based on Sika's current knowledge and experience of the products when properly stored, handled and applied under normal conditions in accordance with Sika's recommendations. In practice, the differences in materials, substrates and actual site conditions are such that no warranty in respect of merchantability or of fitness for a particular purpose, nor any liability arising out of any legal relationship whatsoever, can be inferred either from this information, or from any written recommendations, or from any other advice offered. The user of the product must test the product's suitability for the intended application and purpose. Sika reserves the right to change the properties of its products. The proprietary rights of third parties must be observed. All orders are accepted subject to our current terms of sale and delivery. Users must always refer to the most recent issue of the local Product Data Sheet for the product concerned, copies of which will be supplied on request.

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